

Important Changes

HSR&D's June 15, 2006 Merit Review

DEADLINES: **May 3, 2006-Intent to Submit and proposal abstract due in VACO (Submit Electronically Through Your Local ACOS/R&D Office)**

**June 15, 2006-Proposals due in VACO
(Submit Electronically Through Your Local
ACOS/R&D Office)**

Please note: The Intent to Submit must be submitted by the designated deadline in order for a proposal to be accepted for review.

Electronic Submission: Intent to Submit information including the proposal abstract needs to be submitted electronically **through your local ACOS/R&D office** by May 3, 2006 using the form at HSR&D's ART website: [ART Website](#) (click on Intent to Submit located at top left of homepage). Please follow all instructions carefully. **Investigators should NOT submit directly to VACO. All submissions must be coordinated through the local ACOS/R&D Office.**

We are in the process of developing an electronic submission process for Merit Review proposals and plan to require electronic submission for the June 15 deadline. In order to submit proposals electronically, the proposal text must be converted into a PDF file, as opposed to scanning in the document. Merit review pages which can not be converted or contain original signatures may be scanned, however they must be incorporated into a single file along with the converted text. Additional information will be provided as soon as it is available.

Social Security Numbers: Do not include any social security numbers in the merit review application package. Leave Box 7 on the 10-1313-1 blank. Review all CVs included in the application package to ensure there are no social security numbers listed.

Help:

Scientific questions, including to which review group the proposal should be assigned, may be addressed to the following individual:

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